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STATE OF MONTANA

Monthly Summary
of

TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

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STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In MONTANA (State) For JANUARY 1969 (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT	Number of Accidents: Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Number of Persons: Total Killed	Injured: Total	a	b	c
Motor Vehicle									
1. Ran off road	273	2	68	203	2	97	36	32	29
2. Overturned on road	12		1	11		3		3	
3. Pedestrian	7		7			10	4	4	2
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	1220	4	246	970	5	385	58	158	169
5. Parked motor vehicle	150		11	139		14	1	8	5
6. Railroad train	12	1	4	7	1	4	1	3	
7. Bicyclist									
8. Animal	42		4	38		4		2	2
9. Fixed object	158		33	125		41	8	20	13
10. Other object	1			1					
11. Other non-collision	1	1			1				
12. Misc	1		1			2		2	
Totals	1877	8	375	1494	9	560	108	232	220

Collision of Motor vehicle with

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1. Ran off road	207	1	54	273	2	97	207	1	54	-1100%
2. Overturned on road	15		4	12		3	15		4	NC%
3. Pedestrian	12	1	12	7		10	12	1	12	-100%
4. Motor vehicle in traffic	1023	1	331	1220	5	385	1023	1	331	+400%
5. Parked motor vehicle	123		7	150		14	123		7	NC%
6. Railroad train	6			12	1	4	6			-100%
7. Bicyclist	1		1				1		1	NC%
8. Animal	42		6	42		4	42		6	NC%
9. Fixed object	157	1	35	158		41	157	1	35	+INF%
10. Other object	3		3	1			3		3	NC%
11. Other non-collision	2		1	1	1		2		1	-100%
12. Misc	2	1	1	1		2	2	1	1	+INF%
Totals	1593	5	455	1877	9	560	1593	5	455	+80%

Collision of Motor vehicle with

2B MILEAGE RATES	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1 Motor vehicle traffic deaths	9	5	+80%
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)	332	299 ++	11%
3. Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles	2.7	1.6	+6.9%
4 Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle-miles	2.4	1.6	+5.0%
5 Fatal Accidents	8	5	+6.0%
6.			%

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6. 250,000 or more												
7.												
8.												
Total urban	1007		165	842		215						
RURAL: All locations other than urban: 1. Controlled access highway	45		15	30		25						
2. State routes &US	477	7	132	338	8	219						
3. County routes	348	1	63	284	1	101						
4. Other												
5. Not stated												
Total rural	870	8	210	652	9	345						
Total urban and rural	1877	8	375	1494	9	560						

5. TIME (Hour beginning)	Total: All	Fatal	Monday: All	Fatal	Tuesday: All	Fatal	Wednesday: All	Fatal	Thursday: All	Fatal	Friday: All	Fatal	Saturday: All	Fatal	Sunday: All	Fatal	Not stated: All	Fatal
Before Noon: 0. Midnight	61	1	2		8		11		9	1	1		7		23			
1. 1:00	53		1		1		16		5		7		14		9			
2. 2:00	37	1	1		2		11	1	2		1		10		10			
3. 3:00	23	1			2		9	1	3		3		4		2			
4. 4:00	18		2				7		2		3		1		3			
5. 5:00	5		1		1		1		2									
6. 6:00	17		4		2		2		1				5		3			
7. 7:00	44		7		8		13		6		9				1			
8. 8:00	98		18		13		11		20		24		7		5			
9. 9:00	95	1	16		14		10		17		11		12		15			
10. 10:00	70		7		10		16		14		12		6		5			
11. 11:00	103	2	17	1	8	1	20		17	1	12		18		11			
After Noon: 12. Noon	129		16		15		21		21		19		20		17			
13. 1:00	115		14		14		21		17		20		16		13			
14. 2:00	117		14		13		18		20		21		20		11			
15. 3:00	163		24		19		30		29		35		15		11			
16. 4:00	182	2	25	1	17		31		26		38		25	1	20			
17. 5:00	145		20		24		21		22		34		15		9			
18. 6:00	99		11		7		27		16		15		15		8			
19. 7:00	69		5		9		12		16		11		11		5			
20. 8:00	49		2		9		5		8		13		8		4			
21. 9:00	61		10		4		8		11		11		15		2			
22. 10:00	67		5		9		9		9		15		15		5			
23. 11:00	57		4		2		6		6		11		24		4			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	1877	8	226	2	211	1	336	2	299	2	326		283	1	196			

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4 AGE OF CASUALTY

	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										19	13	6	4	4				
2. 5 to 9										20	11	9	1		1			
3. 10 to 14										22	7	15	3	3				
4. 15 to 19	1	1								86	55	31	2	1	1			
5. 20 to 24	2	2								116	78	38						
6. 25 to 34										100	62	38	2	2				
7. 35 to 44	2	1	1							76	43	33						
8. 45 to 54	3	3								60	35	25						
9. 55 to 64										40	22	18						
10. 65 to 74	1	1								14	7	7	1	1				
11. 75 & older										7	5	2						
12. Not stated																		
Totals	9	8	1							560	338	222	13	11	2			

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS – An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

	A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
At Intersection	1. Entering at angle	372		53	319
	2a. From same direction – both going straight	11		2	9
	b. Same – one turn, one straight	34		4	30
	c. Same – one stopped	145		43	102
	d. Same – all others				
	3a. From opposite direction – both going straight	8		1	7
	b. Same – one left turn, one straight	97		20	77
	c. Same – all others				
	4. Not stated				
	Totals	667		123	544

	B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Not at Intersection	1. Going opposite direction – both moving	121	4	27	90
	2. Going same direction – both moving	168		48	120
	3a. One car parked	149		11	138
	b. One car stopped in traffic	168		36	132
	4a. One car entering parked position				
	b. One car leaving parked position	32		1	31
	5a. One car entering alley or driveway	8		2	6
	b. One car leaving alley or driveway	57		9	48
	6. All others				
	7. Not stated				
	Totals	703	4	134	565

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents		Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
		Total	Intersection	Non-intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-intersection
1. Car going straight	6				6	2	4
2. Car turning right	1				1	1	
3. Car turning left							
4. Car backing							
5. All others							
6. Not stated							
Totals	7				7	3	4

	D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
At Intersection	Collision with 1. Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc.				
	Collision with 2. Fixed object in road	37		8	29
	3. Overturned in road				
	4. Left road	13		4	9
Not at Intersection	Collision with 5. Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc.	12	1	4	7
	Collision with 6. Fixed object in road	122		25	97
	7. Overturned in road	10		1	9
	Left road 8. At curve	94	1	25	68
	Left road 9. Straight road	167	1	39	127
	10. Fell from moving vehicle	1	1		
	11. All others	44		5	39
	12. Not stated				
	Totals	500	4	111	385

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured								
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 74	75 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection		2			1	1					
b. Same – not at intersection		3	1					1		1	
2a. Walking in roadway – with traffic		2	1					1			
b. Same – against traffic											
3. Standing in roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway		3	2		1						
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated		3		1	1	1					
Totals		13	4	1	3	2		2		1	

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	53		11
2. 16	104		18
3. 17	164		21
4. 18 to 19	253	1	51
5. 20 to 24	574	3	123
6. 25 to 34	665	1	133
7. 35 to 44	539	1	113
8. 45 to 54	431	5	89
9. 55 to 64	251		60
10. 65 to 74	88	1	16
11. 75 & older	32		9
12. Not stated			
Totals	3154	12	644

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	2416	12	509
2. Female	737		135
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	3154	12	644

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	2658	5	502
2. Passing through or elsewhere in state	339	4	93
3. Non-resident of state	157	3	49
4. Not stated			
Totals	3154	12	644

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	2681	9	520
2. Passenger car and trailer	4		
3. Truck or truck tractor	501	1	99
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	24		5
5. Other truck combination	78	2	29
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Taxicab	14		3
8. Bus	10		2
9. School bus	14		5
10. Motorcycle			
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	1		
Totals	3327	12	663
Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)	1		1
14. Military vehicles	24	1	6
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	4		

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	83	1	22
2. Wet	33		14
3. Snowy or icy	1757	6	338
4. Other	2	1	1
5. Not stated	2		
Totals	1877	8	375

14 KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	1054		167
2. Not built-up	822	8	208
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	1877	8	375

15 LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	1103	4	206
2. Dawn or dusk	113	1	15
3. Darkness	660	3	154
4. Not stated	1		
Totals	1877	8	375

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	449	2	110
2. Failed to yield right of way	242		29
3. Drove left of center	39	2	16
4. Improper overtaking	8		
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	34		9
7. Followed too closely	36		14
8. Made improper turn	25		5
9. Other improper driving	13		1
10. Inadequate brakes	6		2
11. Improper lights	6		1
12. Had been drinking	20	2	6
Totals	878	6	193

SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF Statewide **ACCIDENTS** **PERIOD** January 1969

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Clear	1301	4	245
3. Raining	41		11
4. Snowing	396	1	80
5. Fog	25	2	4
6. Other	112	1	35
Total	1877	8	375

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	3		1
2. Straight road—level	1328	5	258
3. Straight road—hillcrest	38		7
4. Straight road—on grade	286	1	55
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	98	1	24
7. Curve—hillcrest	6	1	3
8. Curve—on grade	93		22
9. Curve—not stated	25		5
Total	1877	8	375

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	532	3	104
2. Farmers or farm laborers	141	1	29
3. Students	683	2	117
4. Sales persons	129	1	32
5. Commercial drivers	233	2	53
6. Military personnel	83	1	16
7. Housewives & domestic servants	459		87
8. Retired & pensioners	84	1	20
9. All other workers	810	1	186
Total	3154	12	644

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	62	1	13
2. Received classroom training in school	7		5
3. Received behind the wheel training			
4. Received both classes of training	349	1	68
5. No driver training	1724	10	373
Total	2142	12	459

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	9		3
2. HBD—obviously drunk	17		7
3. HBD—ability impaired	21	2	6
4. HBD—ability not impaired	31		15
5. HBD—not known if impaired	92		36
6. Had not been drinking	1918	9	376
7. Not known if drinking	54	1	16
Total	2142	12	459

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	7		1
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	118		16
4. Loose material on surface	39		11
5. Under construction or repair	1		
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other	15		4
8. No defects	1108	8	244
Total	1288	8	276

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	162		21
2. Equipped with in use	587	3	124
3. Equipped with not in use	1381	6	274
4. Not equipped with	1024	3	225
Total	3154	12	644
1. Not stated	1173	2	213
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	218	5	116
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	121	4	52
4. SB did not or could not have helped	1642	1	263
Total	3154	12	644

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	875	6	197
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	413	2	79
3. Not stated			
Total	1288	8	276
1. Not stated	364		84
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	84	2	35
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	46	2	14
5. No speed violation	1766	8	344
Total	2260	12	477
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination	2		
2. Hit & run accidents			

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4. Motor vehicle in traffic	782		134	648	178	14	53	111	
5. Parked motor vehicle	121		5	116	6	1	2	3	
6. Railroad train	3		1	2	1		1		
7. Bicyclist									
8. Animal									
9. Fixed object	85		18	67	21	6	9	6	
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4. Motor vehicle in traffic	649		150	782		178	649		150	NC %
5. Parked motor vehicle	102		7	121		6	102		7	NC %
6. Railroad train	3			3		1	3			NC %
7. Bicyclist	1		1				1		1	NC %
8. Animal	1						1			NC %
9. Fixed object	68		20	85		21	68		20	NC %
10. Other object	1						1			NC %
11. Other non-collision										%
12.										%
Totals	843		191	1007		215	843		191	NC %

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0. Midnight	27		2		2		5		3				4		11			
1. 1:00	27						9		2		4		7		5			
2. 2:00	20		1		2		7				1		7		2			
3. 3:00	13				2		3		2		2		3		1			
4. 4:00	8		1				4		2						1			
5. 5:00	1						1											
6. 6:00	6		1		1								3		1			
7. 7:00	19		5		5		3		3		3							
8. 8:00	59		11		7		6		12		17		4		2			
9. 9:00	44		6		6		5		6		8		6		7			
10. 10:00	31		3		3		7		8		6		2		2			
11. 11:00	53		8		3		9		10		9		8		6			
After Noon																		
12. Noon	89		10		9		15		18		13		15		9			
13. 1:00	67		13		5		14		10		9		10		6			
14. 2:00	57		6		6		9		11		12		11		2			
15. 3:00	99		16		13		20		16		22		9		3			
16. 4:00	101		14		10		19		16		22		14		6			
17. 5:00	89		14		16		14		11		21		7		6			
18. 6:00	44		4		3		14		6		6		7		4			
19. 7:00	34		1		5		5		9		6		5		3			
20. 8:00	26		1		5		3		5		5		4		3			
21. 9:00	29		3		2		4		6		4		10					
22. 10:00	40		3		4		6		4		10		10		3			
23. 11:00	24		1				4		1		5		12		1			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	1007		124		109		186		161		185		158		84			

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4 AGE OF CASUALTY

	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										7	5	2	4	4				
2. 5 to 9										8	3	5						
3. 10 to 14										6	3	3	1	1				
4. 15 to 19										33	19	14						
5. 20 to 24										31	15	16						
6. 25 to 34										41	20	21	1	1				
7. 35 to 44										39	18	21						
8. 45 to 54										27	11	16						
9. 55 to 64										13	6	7						
10. 65 to 74										8	4	4	1	1				
11. 75 & older										2		2						
12. Not stated																		
Totals										215	104	111	7	7				

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS – An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

	A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
At Intersection	1. Entering at angle	281		35	246
	2a. From same direction – both going straight	11		2	9
	b. Same – one turn, one straight	34		4	30
	c. Same – one stopped	145		43	102
	d. Same – all others				
	3a. From opposite direction – both going straight	8		1	7
	b. Same – one left turn, one straight	94		20	74
	c. Same – all others				
	4. Not stated				
	Totals	573		105	468

	B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Not at Intersection	1. Going opposite direction – both moving	33		5	28
	2. Going same direction – both moving	29		5	24
	3a. One car parked	121		5	116
	b. One car stopped in traffic	76		14	62
	4a. One car entering parked position				
	b. One car leaving parked position	27		1	26
	5a. One car entering alley or driveway	8		2	6
	b. One car leaving alley or driveway	36		2	34
	6. All others				
	7. Not stated				
	Totals	330		34	296

	C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents			Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
			Total	Intersection	Non-intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-intersection
	1. Car going straight	4				4	1	3
	2. Car turning right	1				1	1	
	3. Car turning left							
	4. Car backing							
	5. All others							
	6. Not stated							
	Totals	5				5	2	3

	O. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS		Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
At Intersection	Collision with	1. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.				
		2. Fixed object in road	37		8	29
		3. Overturned in road				
		4. Left road	2			2
Not at Intersection	Collision with	5. Non-motor vehicle, train, bicycle, etc.	3		1	2
		6. Fixed object in road	48		10	38
		7. Overturned in road	1			1
	Left road	8. At curve	2			2
		9. Straight road	6		2	4
	10. Fell from moving vehicle					
	11. All others					
	12. Not stated					
	Totals		99		21	78

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE

	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured							
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection											
b. Same – not at intersection		2	1							1	
2a. Walking in roadway – with traffic		2	1					1			
b. Same – against traffic											
3. Standing in roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway		3	2		1						
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated											
Totals		7	4		1						

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	36		7
2. 16	70		11
3. 17	99		10
4. 18 to 19	167		28
5. 20 to 24	340		54
6. 25 to 34	362		60
7. 35 to 44	320		62
8. 45 to 54	220		41
9. 55 to 64	139		28
10. 65 to 74	57		11
11. 75 & older	17		3
12. Not stated			
Totals	1827		315

9. SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1282		224
2. Female	544		91
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	1827		315

10. RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. In city of accident	1748		300
2. Elsewhere in state	62		10
3. Non-resident of state	17		5
4. Not stated			
Totals	1827		315

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	1692		277
2. Passenger car and trailer	1		
3. Truck or truck tractor	247		42
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	6		1
5. Other truck combination			
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Truck with trailer	10		3
8. Bus	7		
9. School bus	7		2
10. Motorcycle			
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated			
Totals	1970		325
Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)			
14. Military vehicles	2		
15. Other publicly owned vehicles			

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	8		2
2. Wet	13		7
3. Snowy or icy	985		156
4. Other			
5. Not stated	1		
Totals	1007		165

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	1004		165
2. Not built-up	3		
3. Not stated			
Totals	1007		165

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	619		92
2. Dawn or dusk	60		3
3. Darkness	328		70
4. Not stated			
Totals	1007		165

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	242		44
2. Failed to yield right of way	179		16
3. Drove left of center	4		
4. Improper overtaking	1		
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	27		6
7. Followed too closely	22		8
8. Made improper turn	20		3
9. Other improper driving	8		1
10. Inadequate brakes	2		
11. Improper lights	2		
12. Had been drinking	12		2
Totals	519		80

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SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF Urban **ACCIDENTS** **PERIOD** January 1969

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Clear	763		119
3. Raining	15		5
4. Snowing	173		26
5. Fog	15		2
6. Other	41		13
Total	1007		165

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	1		
2. Straight road—level	793		129
3. Straight road—hillcrest	15		2
4. Straight road—on grade	161		26
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	26		5
7. Curve—hillcrest			
8. Curve—on grade	11		3
9. Curve—not stated			
Total	1007		165

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	377		71
2. Farmers or farm laborers	51		8
3. Students	459		66
4. Sales persons	65		9
5. Commercial drivers	75		11
6. Military personnel	40		8
7. Housewives & domestic servants	338		61
8. Retired & pensioners	55		12
9. All other workers	367		69
Total	1827		315

The following information is obtained from investigated accidents only

Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	7		3
2. Received classroom training in school			
3. Received behind the wheel training			
4. Received both classes of training	207		26
5. No driver training	931		150
Total	1145		179

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. HBD—obviously drunk	12		3
3. HBD—ability impaired	8		2
4. HBD—ability not impaired	8		4
5. HBD—not known if impaired	30		8
6. Had not been drinking	1076		160
7. Not known if drinking	11		2
Total	1145		179

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	1		
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	86		10
4. Loose material on surface	11		1
5. Under construction or repair			
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other	5		1
8. No defects	528		85
Total	631		97

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	8		1
2. Equipped with in use	305		53
3. Equipped with not in use	957		163
4. Not equipped with	557		98
Total	1827		315
1. Not stated	678		137
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	24		11
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	5		2
4. SB did not or could not have helped	1120		165
Total	1827		315

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	502		80
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	129		17
3. Not stated			
Total	631		97
1. Not stated	249		47
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	15		4
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	3		1
5. No speed violation	974		136
Total	1241		188
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents			

STANDARD SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

In [1] MONTANA (State) For JANUARY 1969 (Month or other period)

1. TYPE OF ACCIDENT

Motor Vehicle	Number of Accidents				Number of Persons				
	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Total Killed	Injured			
						Total	a	b	c
1. Ran off road	263	2	66	195	2	95	36	30	29
2. Overturned on road	11		1	10		3		3	
3. Pedestrian	2		2			3	1	2	
Collision of Motor vehicle with: 4. Motor vehicle in traffic	438	4	112	322	5	207	44	105	58
5. Parked motor vehicle	29		6	23		8		6	2
6. Railroad train	9	1	3	5	1	3	1	2	
7. Bicyclist									
8. Animal	42		4	38		4		2	2
9. Fixed object	73		15	58		20	2	11	7
10. Other object	1			1					
11. Other non-collision	1	1			1				
12. Misc.	1		1			2		2	
Totals	870	8	210	652	9	345	84	163	98

Note The three categories of injuries follow the Manual of Uniform Definitions of Motor Vehicle Accidents.

a. Bleeding wound, distorted member, or any condition that required victim be carried from the scene

b Other visible injuries such as bruises, abrasions, swelling, limping, or other painful movement.

c. Complaint of pain, without visible signs of injury, or momentary unconsciousness.

SUMMARY OF Rural ACCIDENTS

Legally reportable accidents are those involving death, bodily injury or property damage of

$ 100.00 or more

☐ In the accident

☒ To the property of one person

This summary includes reports and information available on

July 29, 1969

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2A. COMPARATIVE TOTALS

	Same Month Last Year			This Year to Date			Same Period Last Year			Change Cumulative Month Record
	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	All accidents	Persons killed	Persons injured	
1. Ran off road	200	1	51	263	2	95	200	1	51	+100%
2. Overturned on road	14		4	11		3	14		4	NC%
3. Pedestrian	2	1	2	2		3	2	1	2	-100%
Collision of Motor vehicle with: 4. Motor vehicle in traffic	374	1	181	438	5	207	374	1	181	+400%
5. Parked motor vehicle	21			39		8	21			NC%
6. Railroad train	3			9	1	3	3			+INF%
7. Bicyclist										%
8. Animal	41		6	42		4	41		6	NC%
9. Fixed object	89	1	15	73		20	89	1	15	-100%
10. Other object	3		3	1			3		3	NC%
11. Other non-collision	1		1	1	1		1		1	+INF%
12. Misc.	2	1	1	1		2	2	1	1	-100%
Totals	750	5	264	870	9	345	750	5	264	+ 80%

2B MILEAGE RATES

	This Year To Date	Last Year Same Period	Percent Change
1 Motor vehicle traffic deaths	9	5	+80 %
2. Estimated motor vehicle mileage traveled (millions)		N. A	%
3 Death rate per 100,000,000 vehicle miles		N A	%
4 Fatal accident rate per 100,000,000 vehicle miles		N A	%
Fatal Accidents	8	5	+60
6.			%

3. LOCATION

		A. Trafficways Administered by Governmental Agencies (State Highway Dept., counties, cities, towns, villages, etc.)						B. Trafficways Administered by Independent Agencies (Turnpike, parkway, military, freeway authorities and commissions, etc.)					
		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons		Number of Accidents				Number of Persons	
		Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured	Total	Fatal	Non-Fatal	Property Damage	Killed	Injured
URBAN: All incorporated places of 2500 or more population as determined by especial rules followed in 1960 census	1. 2,500 to 10,000												
	2. 10,000 to 25,000												
	3. 25,000 to 50,000												
	4. 50,000 to 100,000												
	5. 100,000 to 250,000												
	6. 250,000 or more												
	7.												
	8.												
	Total urban												
RURAL: All locations other than urban	1. Controlled access highway	45		15	30		25						
	2. State routes &US	477	7	132	338	8	219						
	3. County routes	348	1	63	284	1	101						
	4. Other												
	5. Not stated												
	Total rural	870	8	210	652	9	345						
	Total urban and rural												

5. TIME

Hour beginning	Total		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Not stated	
	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal	All	Fatal
0. Midnight	34	1			6		6		6	1	1		3		12			
1. 1:00	26		1		1		7		3		3		7		4			
2. 2:00	17	1					4	1	2				3		8			
3. 3:00	10	1					6	1	1		1		1		1			
4. 4:00	10		1				3				3		1		2			
5. 5:00	4		1		1				2									
6. 6:00	11		3		1		2		1				2		2			
7. 7:00	25		2		3		10		3		6				1			
8. 8:00	39		7		6		5		8		7		3		3			
9. 9:00	51	1	10		8		5		11	1	3		6		8			
10. 10:00	39		4		7		9		6		6		4		3			
11. 11:00	50	2	9	1	5	1	11		7		3		10		5			
12. Noon	40		6		6		6		3		6		5		8			
13. 1:00	48		1		9		7		7		11		6		7			
14. 2:00	60		8		7		9		9		9		9		9			
15. 3:00	64		8		6		10		13		13		6		8			
16. 4:00	81	2	11	1	7		12		10		16		11	1	14			
17. 5:00	56		6		8		7		11		13		8		3			
18. 6:00	55		7		4		13		10		9		8		4			
19. 7:00	35		4		4		7		7		5		6		2			
20. 8:00	23		1		4		2		3		8		4		1			
21. 9:00	32		7		2		4		5		7		5		2			
22. 10:00	27		2		5		3		5		5		5		2			
23. 11:00	33		3		2		2		5		6		12		3			
24. Not stated																		
Totals	870	8	102	2	102	1	150	2	138	2	141		125	1	112			

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4 AGE OF CASUALTY	Number of Persons Killed									Number of Persons Injured								
	Total killed			Pedestrians			Bicyclists			Total injured			Pedestrians			Bicyclists		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
1. 0 to 4										12	8	4						
2. 5 to 9										12	8	4	1		1			
3. 10 to 14										16	4	12	2	2				
4. 15 to 19	1	1								53	36	17	2	1	1			
5. 20 to 24	2	2								85	63	22						
6. 25 to 34										59	42	17	1	1				
7. 35 to 44	2	1	1							37	25	12						
8. 45 to 54	3	3								33	24	9						
9. 55 to 64										27	16	11						
10. 65 to 74	1	1								6	3	3						
11. 75 & older										5	5							
12. Not stated																		
Totals	9	8	1							345	234	111	6	4	2			

6. DIRECTIONAL ANALYSIS – An accident consisting of a series of collisions, overturning, etc., is classified according to the first event on the road

	A. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
At Intersection	1. Entering at angle	91		18	73
	2a. From same direction – both going straight				
	b. Same – one turn, one straight				
	c. Same – one stopped				
	d. Same – all others				
	3a. From opposite direction – both going straight				
	b. Same – one left turn, one straight	3			3
	c. Same – all others				
	4. Not stated				
	Totals	94		18	76

	B. TWO MOTOR VEHICLE ACC.	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
Not at Intersection	1. Going opposite direction – both moving	88	4	22	62
	2. Going same direction – both moving	139		43	96
	3a. One car parked	28		6	22
	b. One car stopped in traffic	92		22	70
	4a. One car entering parked position				
	b. One car leaving parked position	5			5
	5a. One car entering alley or driveway				
	b. One car leaving alley or driveway	21		7	14
	6. All others				
	7. Not stated				
	Totals	373	4	100	269

C. PEDESTRIAN ACCIDENTS	All Pedestrian Accidents	Fatal Accidents		Non-Fatal Injury Accidents		
		Total	Intersection	Non-intersection	Total	Intersection	Non-intersection
1. Car going straight	2			2	1	1
2. Car turning right						
3. Car turning left						
4. Car backing						
5. All others						
6. Not stated						
Totals	2			2	1	1

	D. ALL OTHER ACCIDENTS	Total	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents	Property Damage Acc.
At Intersections	Collision with: 1. Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc.				
	2. Fixed object in road				
	3. Overturned in road				
	4. Left road	11		4	7
Not at Intersections	Collision with: 5. Non-motor vehicle – train, bicycle, etc.	9	1	3	5
	6. Fixed object in road	74		15	59
	7. Overturned in road	9		1	8
	Left road: 8. At curve	92	1	25	66
	9. Straight road	161	1	37	123
	10. Fell from moving vehicle	1	1		
	11. All others	44		5	39
	12. Not stated				
	Totals	401	4	90	307

7. PEDESTRIAN ACTIONS BY AGE	Pedestrians Killed	Ages of Pedestrians Killed and Injured							
		Total	0 to 4	5 to 9	10 to 14	15 to 19	20 to 24	25 to 44	45 to 64	65 & Older	Not Stated
1a. Crossing or entering roadway - at intersection		2			1	1					
b. Same – not at intersection		1						1			
2a. Walking in roadway – with traffic											
b. Same – against traffic											
3. Standing in roadway											
4. Getting on or off other vehicle											
5. Pushing or working on vehicle in roadway											
6. Other working in roadway											
7. Playing in roadway											
8. Other in roadway											
9. Not in roadway											
10. Not stated		3		1	1	1					
Totals		6		1	2	2		1			

Drivers of vehicles in proper parking locations are excluded

8. AGE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. 15 & younger	17		4
2. 16	34		7
3. 17	65		11
4. 18 to 19	86	1	23
5. 20 to 24	234	3	69
6. 25 to 34	303	1	73
7. 35 to 44	219	1	51
8. 45 to 54	211	5	48
9. 55 to 64	112		32
10. 65 to 74	31	1	5
11. 75 & older	15		6
12. Not stated			
Totals	1327	12	329

9 SEX OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Male	1134	12	285
2. Female	193		44
3. Not stated			
Totals	1327	12	329

10 RESIDENCE OF DRIVER	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Local resident	910	5	202
2. Resident elsewhere in state	277	4	83
3. Non-resident of state	140	3	44
4. Not stated			
Total	1327	12	329

Vehicles in proper parking locations are included

12. TYPE OF VEHICLE	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Passenger car	989	9	243
2. Passenger car and trailer	3		
3. Truck or truck tractor	254	1	57
4. Truck tractor and semi-trailer	18		4
5. Other truck combination	78	2	29
6. Farm tractor and/or farm equip.			
7. Tanicab	4		
8. Bus	3		2
9. School bus	7		3
10. Motorcycle			
11. Motor scooter or motor bicycle			
12. Others and not stated	1		
Totals	1357	12	338
Special vehicles included above			
13. Emergency (including privately owned)			
14. Military vehicles	22		6
15. Other publicly owned vehicles	4		

13. ROAD SURFACE CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Dry	75	1	20
2. Wet	20		7
3. Snowy or icy	772	6	182
4. Other	2	1	1
5. Not stated	1		
Totals	870	8	210

14. KIND OF LOCATION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Built-up	50		2
2. Not built-up	819	8	208
3. Not stated	1		
Totals	870	8	210

15. LIGHT CONDITION	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Daylight	484	4	114
2. Dawn or dusk	53	1	12
3. Darkness	332	3	84
4. Not stated	1		
Totals	870	8	210

Contributing Circumstances (Table 11) compiled only from police reports.

11. CONTRIBUTING CIRCUMSTANCES INDICATED	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Speed too fast	207	2	66
2. Failed to yield right of way	63		13
3. Drove left of center	35	2	16
4. Improper overtaking	7		
5. Passed stop sign			
6. Disregarded traffic signal	7		3
7. Followed too closely	14		6
8. Made improper turn	5		2
9. Other improper driving	5		
10. Inadequate brakes	4		2
11. Improper lights	4		1
12. Had been drinking	8	2	4
Totals	359	6	113

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SUMMARY OF MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN MONTANA

SUMMARY REPORT OF Rural **ACCIDENTS** **PERIOD** January 1969

Weather	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		
2. Clear	538	4	126
3. Raining	26		6
4. Snowing	223	1	54
5. Fog	10	2	2
6. Other	71	1	22
Total	870	8	210

Character of Road	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	2		1
2. Straight road—level	535	5	129
3. Straight road—hillcrest	23		5
4. Straight road—on grade	125	1	29
5. Straight road—not stated			
6. Curve—level	72	1	19
7. Curve—hillcrest	6	1	3
8. Curve—on grade	82		19
9. Curve—not stated	25		5
Total	870	8	210

Occupation of Driver	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Professional or business man	155	3	33
2. Farmers or farm laborers	90	1	21
3. Students	224	2	51
4. Sales persons	64	1	23
5. Commercial drivers	158	2	42
6. Military personnel	43	1	8
7. Housewives & domestic servants	121		26
8. Retired & pensioners	29	1	8
9. All other workers	443	1	117
Total	1327	12	329

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Driver Training	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	55	1	10
2. Received classroom training in school	7		5
3. Received behind the wheel training			
4. Received both classes of training	142	1	42
5. No driver training	793	10	223
Total	997	12	280

Driver Sobriety	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	9		3
2. HBD—obviously drunk	5		4
3. HBD—ability impaired	13	2	4
4. HBD—ability not impaired	23		11
5. HBD—not known if impaired	62		28
6. Had not been drinking	842	9	216
7. Not known if drinking	43	1	14
Total	997	12	280

Road Defects	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated			
2. Defective shoulders	6		1
3. Holes, deep ruts, bumps	32		6
4. Loose material on surface	28		10
5. Under construction or repair	1		
6. Surface oily, slippery when wet			
7. Other			
8. No defects	580	8	159
Total	657	8	179

Seat Belt Information	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Not stated	154		20
2. Equipped with in use	282	3	71
3. Equipped with not in use	424	6	111
4. Not equipped with	467	3	127
Total	1327	12	329
1. Not stated	495	2	76
2. SB would have saved life or prevented more serious inj.	194	5	105
3. SB saved life or prevented more serious injury	116	4	50
4. SB did not or could not have helped	522	1	98
Total	1327	12	329

Additional Accident Facts	All Accidents	Fatal Accidents	Injury Accidents
1. Accidents involving a HMV	373	6	117
2. Accidents not involving a HMV	284	2	62
3. Not stated			
Total	657	8	179
1. Not stated	115		37
2. Exceeding stated speed limit	69	2	31
3. Exceeding safe speed limit			
4. Exceeding safe speed limit Not exceeding legal speed limit	43	2	13
5. No speed violation	792	8	208
Total	1019	12	289
1. Drivers recommended for driver license re-examination			
2. Hit & run accidents			

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